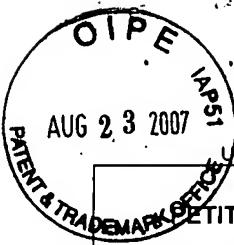


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) FY 2006 <i>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)</i>		Docket Number 026035-000010
Application Number 10/773,317		Filed February 9, 2004
For MANUFACTURING PROCESS FOR MEMBRANE-ELECTRODE ASSEMBLIES		
Group Art Unit 1745	Examiner Ben LEWIS	Confirmation Number 6655

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$_____
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- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any over payment, to Deposit Account Number 01-2300. Enclosed is a duplicate copy of this sheet.

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- applicant/inventor
- assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).
- attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 60,021.
- attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.
Registration Number is acting under 37 CFR 1.34 _____.

Signature		Date August 23, 2007
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